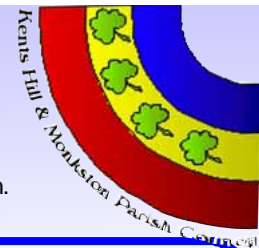


Kents Hill & Monkston Parish Council

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infact **October 2011**

Welcome to this *infect* 'bulletin' edition. This bulletin has some important information for our community, with key dates, that we wanted to share with you urgently. Please do read it and get involved!

We are currently compiling a full edition of our quarterly newsletter *infect* which will be delivered to you in the coming weeks.

We aim to keep residents informed at all times, via our website, notice boards, newsletter and bulletins. Log on to our website regularly www.kentshill-monkston-pc.org.uk for all news, meeting agendas, minutes, community information and Councillor contacts.

We need your Views! **Library changes in Kingston**

Milton Keynes Council is looking for a new way to deliver library services in Kingston and the surrounding area. The proposals contained in the draft report 'Future Libraries – Milton Keynes' recommend that the current library at Kingston Community Centre is closed in April 2012 and will be replaced in 2013-14 with a new building to house a larger library and community facilities on the site of the existing pub in Kingston Centre.



Until that time, Milton Keynes Council is inviting feedback on one of two options, a) to retain the current library as it is, or b) provide a mobile service and activity/events programme to reach across the community and engage new library users. The report proposes two half day sessions per week for the area if the library is to go 'mobile' replacing the current 27 hours per week service at Kingston. Either would continue until the new library is in place. The Council also need to demonstrate demand for a new library.

There is a period of public consultation, inviting your feedback on the draft report and the interim service at Kingston from 19th October 2011 – 12th January 2012. The plan is already on the website www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/library_services and from 19th October will be at other Milton Keynes libraries.

Please have your say - the future of the library is in your hands. Here's how to get involved:

- ✓ Come along to the public meeting on Tuesday 25th October, 2-3pm at the Monkston Park Community Centre
- ✓ Attend any of the other 8 public meetings across Milton Keynes
- ✓ Read the draft report and proposals online from 19th October and give your comments and input to MK Council via their website or at any of the libraries in Milton Keynes
- ✓ Use the library! Opening hours Tuesday 10am – 6pm, Thursday and Friday 1pm – 5.30pm, Saturday 10am-6pm, Sunday 1pm – 4pm.

This is a unique opportunity for residents to get involved in the decisions about libraries in our area.

Free October Half Term

P l a y S e s s i o n s

Following the successful Easter and summer holiday play sessions, the Kents Hill and Monkston Parish Council has arranged three Halloween and autumn-themed play sessions for children aged 4-14 to entertain local children during this October break.

We have secured two indoor venues and gazebo cover for the outdoor venue so that the fun does not need to stop if the weather is not kind!

The play sessions have been arranged as follows:

Tuesday	25th October 10am-12.30pm	Monkston Playing Field
Wednesday	26th October 10am-12.30pm	Monkston Park Community Centre
Thursday	27th October 10am-12.30pm	Kents Hill Community Centre



There's no need to book or register, just come along! The play sessions are free of charge and are open to all children aged 4-14 years. Parents are asked to accompany children under 8 and join in the fun.



**Bring your family and friends along.
We hope to see you there!**



Please note: Children may get messy or get paint on their clothes, depending on activity. As these sessions are open access, children remain the responsibility of their parents or carers at all times, as children are free to come and go as they wish.



Parish Councillor Vacancies

Do you want to support your community? Do you want to make a difference locally?

Could you spare a few hours per month?

If so we would like to hear from you!

The Kents Hill and Monkston Parish Council has two vacancies for Parish Councillors.

No experience required, just a willingness to volunteer,
an interest in local issues and enthusiasm to support the community.

Please contact the Parish Clerk for more details.

Getting in touch is easy

Want to get in touch? It couldn't be simpler:

- ❖ Email clerk@kentshill-monkston-pc.org.uk
- ❖ Telephone 07946 - 512523
- ❖ Post a letter to PO Box 7508, Milton Keynes, MK11 9DL
- ❖ Complete a 'contact us' form at www.kentshill-monkston-pc.org.uk